

**Aging in Place and Community
Meeting Notes
Tuesday, May 14, 2013**

Commission members: Miriam Kelty, Grace Whipple, Isabelle Schoenfeld, Spencer Schron, Noelle Ronald, Sally Shea, Chuck Kauffman

Guests: Leslie Marks, Harriet Shapiro, Marylou Shannon, Matt Losak, Beth Shapiro, Seth Morgan, Pazit Aviv

Staff: Odile Brunetto

Topic	Discussion Points	Decisions/follow-up
Impact of sequestration on older residents of Montgomery Co and in general	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Sequestration affecting seniors negatively . National strategy needed to bring about reversal of sequestration . Too little is being done to communicate negative impact to policy makers and to public. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommend CoA should partner with other affected groups to advocate for reversal of legislation
<p>Summer Study Proposal discussion</p> <p>Amendment of MPDU Program</p> <p>Value & Viability of Villages</p>	<p>MPDU program does not meet needs of seniors</p> <p>Propose modification of policy and law to make program more flexible to meet senior needs</p> <p>Meet with Council & with Park and Planning & with Housing and Community Affairs to explore how to increase flexibility of program</p> <p>Specifically, allow for seniors to be grouped in a building(s) to facilitate provision of services on site</p> <p>MPDU only one aspect of affordable housing. Affordable housing for renters needs to be addressed as well.</p> <p>Rent stabilization discussed</p> <p>Although Villages and other means of aging in place are growing with the aging population of the County, COA has not studied villages or NORCs systematically.</p> <p>Perception and anecdotal reports indicate that villages do not include the most economically needy seniors, nor do they represent the diversity of</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Expertise to head up this summer study in absent among AIPC members. AIPC will address issues of affordable housing in committee and explore whether there is expertise in this area on the Commission AIPC will consider whether to invite Mark Elrich to discuss affordable housing. AIPC should explore what data are available on number of seniors in MPDUs and in affordable housing units.

	<p>seniors in the County.</p> <p>Proposal is to survey existing and developing villages in Montgomery County to learn their demographic makeup, whether and how they are impacted by proximity to senior centers and their plans to assure sustainability. To what extent have villages built community?</p> <p>Interview subset of village staff/members to get qualitative information about their perceived value and viability.</p> <p>Compare what we learn with literature on villages elsewhere.</p> <p>Data needs for this project were discussed.</p> <p>Try to get Andy Sharlach survey instrument</p>	<p>AIPC recommended that this summer study proposal be presented to Commission</p> <p>Should this summer study be adopted by the CoA, leaders were identified (Kelty, Whipple, Shea, Ronald Hayman)</p>
Topics the AIPC to address in coming year	<p>Family members' and caregivers' perspectives on aging in place</p> <p>Communicating information about village movement to civic associations and politicians.</p> <p>Leveraging programs/services through senior communities, e.g. Asbury and connecting housing and health care by establishing partnerships to support aging in the community.</p>	Committee will continue to discuss at future meetings.
Meeting time		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AIPC will not meet in June - Future AIPC meetings will be 9:15-11:00 on the 2nd Tuesday
Email list	Guest and former commission members of meeting are not getting meeting notices	Ask Tremayne to keep retired members a list and update list.

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